

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Kenji MATSUDA, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned)	
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Filed: Concurrently herewith)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,)	August 27, 2003
CONTROL METHOD THEREOF,	:	
DEVELOPING AGENT REPLENISHING)		
CONTAINER AND MEMORY UNIT	:	
THEREOF, AND STORAGE MEDIUM)	

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the patent documents listed on the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed patent document is enclosed.

STATEMENT/PETITION/FEE

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the application. Accordingly, Applicants submit that no Statement, Petition, or

Fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

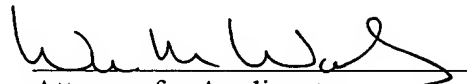
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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